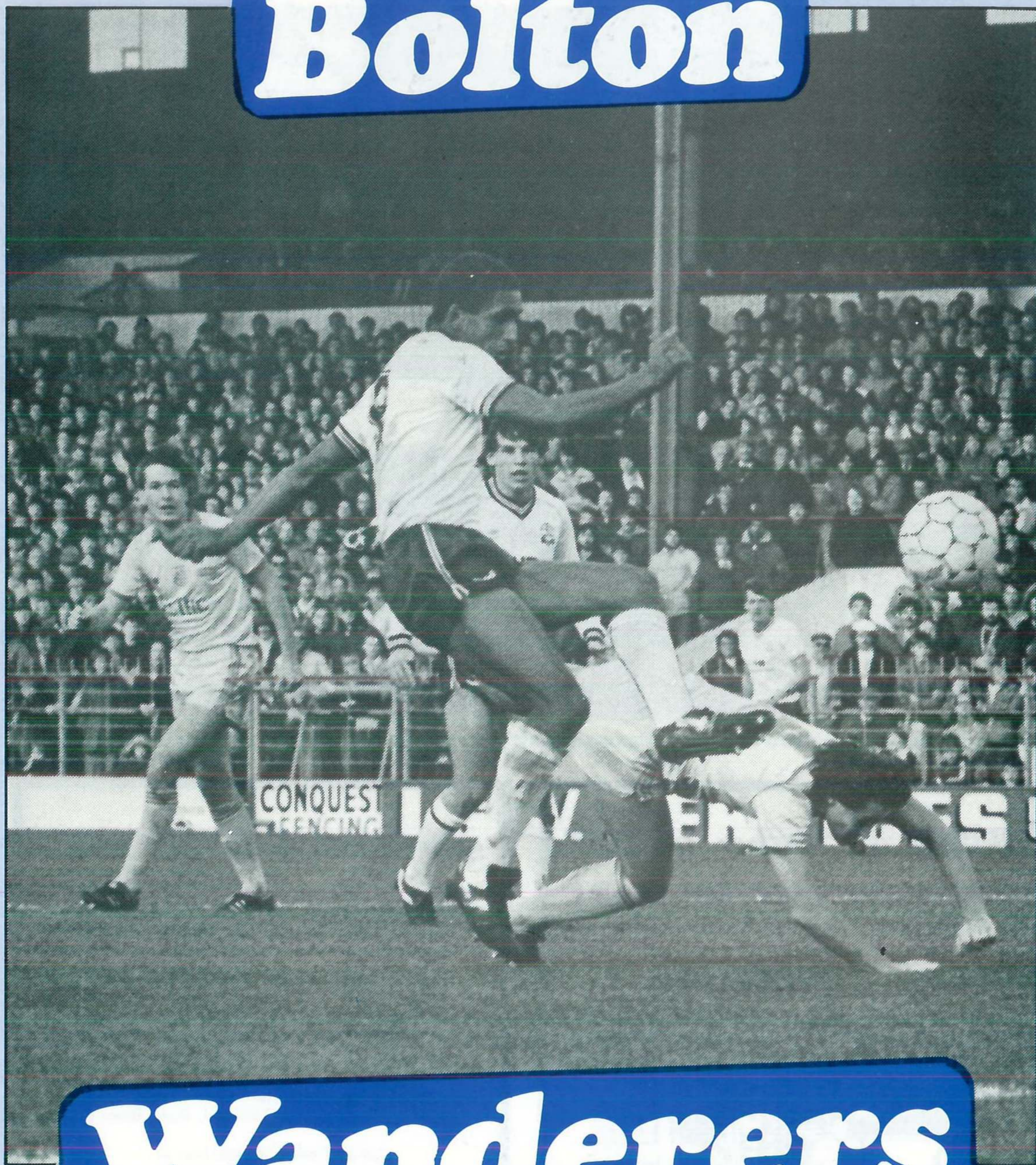


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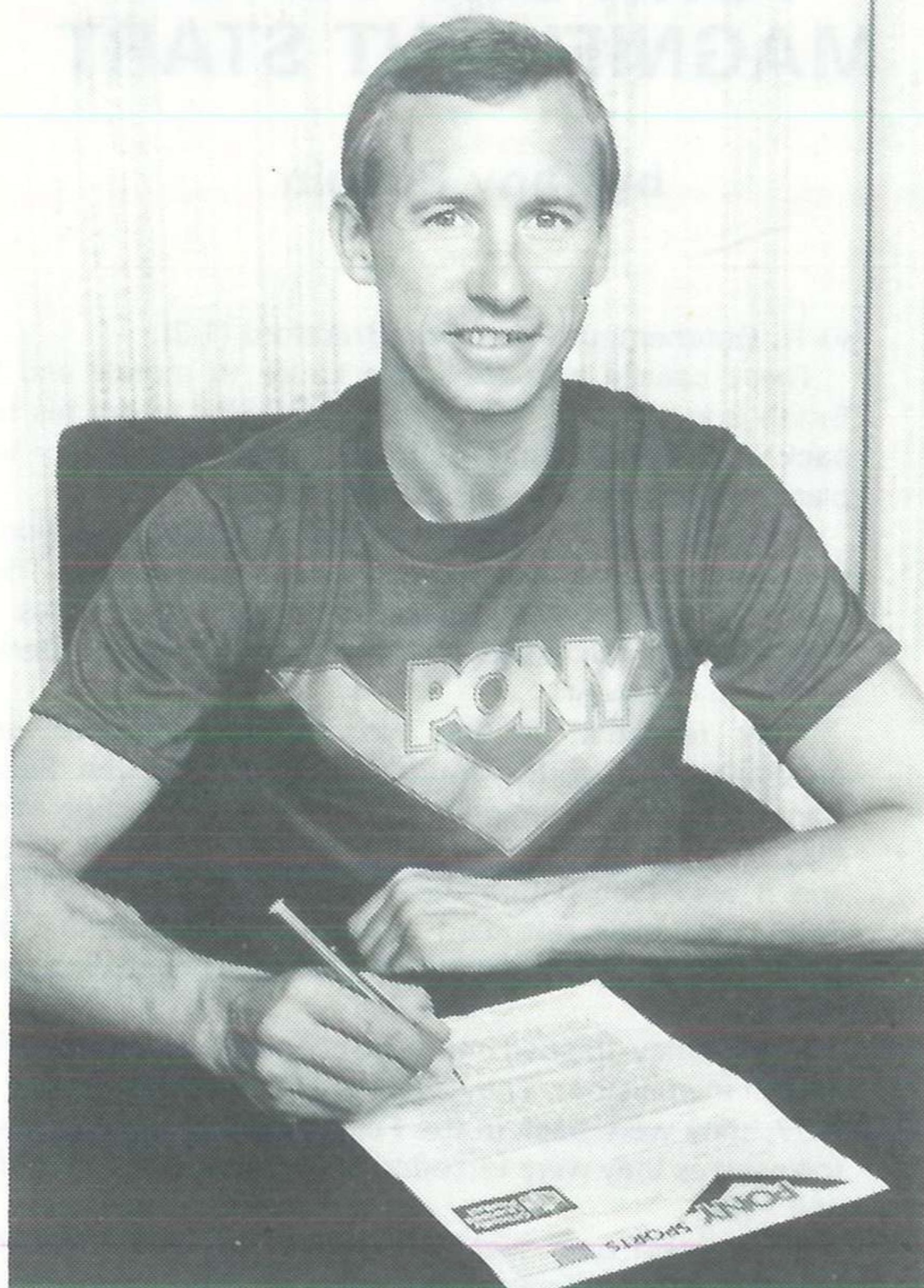
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Tonight's opponents must be riding on the crest of a wave after beating Gillingham, one of the more fancied sides in our division, by 7-1 on Saturday. So any doubts about York City not being able to compete in the Third Division after getting off to a flying start have been erased 100 per cent.

We managed to keep up our good home

record with a hard fought 1-0 victory over Lincoln City at the weekend and it was extremely pleasing for me as a manager after trying just about every permutation open to me for the two centre half positions to see us keep a clean sheet.

Again, on a day of terrible conditions for spectators we managed to get a crowd of more than 4,000 and for that we are truly thankful.

While certain criticisms have been thrown at us about our away performances I still feel we will improve greatly in our all round consistency, with the players we've got, even though we are still looking to bring better players to the club.

This week we hope Tony Caldwell will be back in action after his injury lay-off, but in looking forward to having him fit again, it's nice to be able to say that we haven't really needed him. But to quote Brian Clough, my ex-manager, 'you can never have too many good strikers about the place'.

I've watched a considerable number of players this season and hopefully in the near future there will be one or two new faces at the club.

It's never unusual for a manager to give his players a vote of confidence, but I'll say again that if the attitude of our players — even in defeat away from home — continues as it has recently, then I'll be proved totally justified in my confidence in them.

FRONT COVER: George Oghani slots home his second goal against Preston.



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YORK CITY

YORK SLIP AFTER MAGNIFICENT START

by Tony Pullein

York City, runaway Champions of the Fourth Division last season, started the current term as if they were going to leave most of their Third Division rivals in their wake. But, after suffering their first League defeat at the beginning of October, they seemed to lose confidence and they went into last Saturday's home game with Gillingham without a win in any of their previous five League games.

York were so out of their class in the Fourth Division on last season that they won the Championship with a 16-point margin over runners-up Doncaster and with 26 points to spare over the fifth club!

They also became the first club in League history to score more than a century of points (101) and they scored a total of 101 goals in League and Cup games.

It was a triumphant season for manager Denis Smith, the former Stoke City defender, in only his second season at Bootham Crescent. It was during 1982/83, when he was player-manager, that Mr Smith knocked the York side into shape. Last season he concentrated solely upon the managerial side and, after winning their opening three matches, York led the table for the entire season.

Towards the end of the season they set up an unbeaten run of 16 games, winning the last five of that sequence. The run ended when they lost at Hereford on the final day of the season. But, by then, promotion and the Championship had long been settled and that elusive 100 points barrier had been breached.

It seemed that they might enjoy a sort of action replay at Bootham Crescent when, after being held at home by Walsall (1-1) on the opening day of this season, they won their next three games. By the end of September, they held second place, only two points behind Bristol Rovers.

They also scored two resounding victories over Doncaster in the first round of the Milk Cup, winning 3-2 at Belle Vue and 5-0 at Bootham Crescent.

York then defeated Bristol Rovers 1-0 at Bootham Crescent to take over the leadership of the table.

Then they were brought down to earth when losing 0-2 at home to Bristol City. And since then they have not won again, unless they managed to end their run on Saturday.

In the second round of the Milk Cup, they were drawn against First Division Queens Park Rangers. They lost their home leg 2-4 and then went down 1-4 in London.

Striker John Byrne clearly made a big impression upon Q.P.R. manager Alan Mullery for, a few days later, he completed his transfer for £100,000. Byrne was York's leading scorer with 28 goals last season and had scored five times before his transfer this season.

York won three of their opening four away League games at Swansea (3-1), Orient (3-1) and Wigan (2-1). They also drew at Plymouth (1-1) but they have been beaten in each of their last three away trips to Bradford City

(0-1), Bournemouth (0-4) and Brentford (1-2).

These caused a considerable knock to morale and Mr Smith is looking for one or two good wins to put his side back in the right frame of mind. York are still very well placed to resume their promotion hunt.

York City F.C. was formed in 1922 and gained election to the Third Division (North) only seven years later. Three years after that they abandoned their old home at Fulfordgate home to take over their present headquarters at Bootham Crescent.

They remained in the old Northern Section until becoming one of the founder members of the Fourth Division in 1958. Though they won immediate promotion, they suffered an equally-rapid return to the lower section and it was 1965 before they returned to Division Three. They were again relegated at the first time of asking but, when they moved up again in 1971, they met with more success.

In 1974 they stepped into the Second Division for the first time in their history. They remained for two seasons but, by 1977, they were back in the Fourth Division again. Worse followed as they were forced to apply for re-election in 1978 and 1981.

Their finest hour was undoubtedly in 1955 when they reached the semi-finals of the F.A. Cup. York were within a whisker of becoming the only Third Division club ever to appear in that final when they held Newcastle to a 1-1 draw. But they lost the replay 0-2.

ROGER JONES (Goalkeeper). Roger was rejected by Portsmouth as a youngster but got his chance in League football with Bournemouth. He was capped by the England under-23s whilst with the Dean Court club but was transferred to Blackburn for £30,000 in 1970. After six seasons as a Rovers' regular, Roger moved on to Newcastle for £50,000 but the end of the 1976/77 campaign saw him as a Stoke City player. Derby signed him for £20,000 in 1980 and it was after a loan spell with Birmingham that he joined York City in 1982. Roger now looks back on more than 650 appearances in the Football League.

CHRIS EVANS (Defender). Chris served his apprenticeship with Arsenal and later joined Stoke City but it wasn't until he had moved on to York in 1982 that he got his chance in League football. He was ever-present in his first campaign at Bootham Crescent.

RICK SBRAGIA (Defender). As a youngster, Ricky had trials with Rangers, Bristol City, Ipswich and Crystal Palace and his persistence finally paid off when Birmingham City gave him his chance in League football during 1974/75. A £15,000 transfer took him to Walsall in 1978 and Blackpool signed him two years later. York signed him in 1982.

JOHN MACPHAIL (Defender). John established himself as a central defender with Dundee in the Scottish league and Sheffield United paid £30,000 to sign him in 1979. He helped the Blades rise back to Third Division level and made more than 150 League appearances before leaving them for York City shortly before the 1983 transfer deadline.

ALAN HAY (Defender). Former Wanderer Alan was with Dundee in his early days and his first English club was Bolton. During his time at Burnden Park, Alan was a non-contract player and he didn't play in our League team. After moving to Bristol City, he made his breakthrough in the League in 1979/80 and he played more than 70 League games for the Ashton Gate club before being transferred to York during the 1982 close-season.

HUGH ATKINSON (Midfield). Hugh was signed from Wolves this summer. A Republic of Ireland under-21 international, he made his League debut for Wolves in 1979/80 and made some 50 first-team appearances for the Molineux club. When Hugh lost his place in the Wolves' side, he joined Exeter City on loan last season, making 28 League appearances for the Grecians.

GARY NICHOLSON (Midfield). Gary is another newcomer this season, having been signed from Mansfield Town. He started his professional career with Newcastle and made his League debut during 1978/79. He moved on to Mansfield in 1981.

SEAN HASLEGRAVE (Midfield). Sean spent his early days with Stoke City and completed well over 100 senior games for the Potters before his £40,000 transfer to Nottingham Forest in 1976. He didn't enjoy the best of luck at the City Ground, though, and his career resumed in earnest after signing for Preston in 1977. Crewe signed him

four years later and he linked with York during the summer of 1983.

GARY FORD (Midfield). Gary is a former York apprentice who has been holding a first-team place since making his debut in 1978. He scored 12 goals last season and had netted four times this term prior to last Saturday's game against Gillingham.

DEREK HOOD (Midfield). Derek was a West Bromwich apprentice but it was after going to Hull City that he got his chance in League football in 1977/78. He didn't really establish himself with the Tigers, though, but has been holding his place in the York side continuously since his transfer in 1980.

ALAN PEARCE (Midfield). Alan completed his apprenticeship with York and was introduced to League football last season. He was beginning to play regularly towards the end of last season.

KEITH WALWYN (Forward). Keith, who had scored seven times before the Gillingham match, is one of the most consistent goalscorers in the lower divisions. He scored twice on his League debut for Chesterfield against Oxford in 1980 but, incredibly, he was given only one further outing in the Chesterfield side. York signed him in 1981 and he hit 25 goals in his first season and 24 in 1982/83. Last season he scored 25 times.

KEITH HOUCHEN (Forward). Keith is another proven goalscorer, and had five to his name before Saturday. He made his name with Hartlepool by leading their scoring list for four successive seasons. Orient signed him for £25,000 in 1982 but he really didn't settle in London. York signed him towards the end of last season.



Back Row: Viv Busby (Player/Coach), Brian Chippendale, Ricky Sbragia, Alan Hay, Keith Houchen, Mike Astbury, Roger Jones, John MacPhail, Keith Walwyn, Chris Evans, Derek Hood, Gerry Delahunt (Physiotherapist).

Front Row: Sean Haslegrave, Malcolm Crosby, Steve Senior, John Byrne (now Q.P.R.), Denis Smith (Manager), Hugh Atkinson, Gary Nicholson, Gary Ford, Alan Pearce.

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Club News

In Retrospect

The Wanderers face York City for the 9th time in the football league having won 4 games to the Minstermen's 2.

Strangely enough both clubs have good records on each others grounds, City having won 2 of their visits to Bolton and the Wanderers undefeated on their league visits to Bootham Crescent.

The first league meeting took place here at Burnden in September 1971 when City inflicted Bolton's first ever Third Division defeat with a second half goal from Laurie Calloway. It was in fact Bolton's only defeat in the opening 10 games of the season and attracted a crowd of 12,192.

The game at Bootham Crescent that season produced the only scoreless result in the league encounters between the clubs. It was perhaps predictable that neither side would win as they had both gone 8 games without a win. In this game Wanderers full back Paul Hallows was seriously injured sustaining a fractured skull.

Season 1972/73 saw Bolton produce the only double in the sequence. Stuart Lee scored the only goal at York which increased Bolton's lead at the top of the Third Division to three points with a game in hand over rivals Notts County and Bournemouth. After the Wanderers goal, City keeper Graeme Crawford was carried off the field injured with winger Ritchie Taylor taking over.

The game at Burnden saw the Wanderers win 3-0 to clinch the Third Division championship with Stuart Lee netting twice and Peter Nicholson scoring the third before a crowd of 19,999.

York won promotion to the Second Division a year later and the first meeting of 1974/75 season took place at Bootham Crescent. Just before half time Paul Jones fisted a Jimmy Hinch header to give Ian Holmes the chance to score from the spot which he converted. The Wanderers recovered well. Stuart Lee equalising early in the second half and Hugh Curran putting them in front with a cracking shot. Sam Allardyce scored Bolton's third in the 67th minute after coming on as substitute for Tony Dunne.

The return game ended in a 1-1 draw with the Wanderers taking the lead from a Paul Jones penalty. This was the first home goal for two months but York hit back when Jimmy Seal headed an equaliser.

In August 1975 the Wanderers won 2-1 at York to register their first away win of the season. The scorers of all three goals were Jones, Chris putting York in front after 6 minutes before Paul equalised for Bolton and Garry grabbed the winner, later in the game.

The last league game between the sides took place at Burnden in April 1976. The Wanderers were lying in third place in the Second Division whilst York were already doomed to relegation. The persistent rain turned the pitch into a quagmire and the first goal didn't come until the 65th minute when Jimmy Hinch's shot rolled tantalisingly over the line to put York in front. Micky Cave put York two up in the 85th minute before Peter Nicholson grabbed a consolation goal two minutes from time. The two points lost in this game effectively prevented the Wanderers from gaining promotion whilst Nicholson's goal was the first scored by a Bolton player in seven games.

The teams for the last meeting were Bolton: Siddall, Ritson, Nicholson, Greaves, P. Jones, Allardyce, Morgan, Whatmore, G. Jones, Reid, Byrom.

York: Crawford, Scott, Downing, Seal, Tooping, Woodward, Pollard, Holmes, Hinch, Cave, McMordie.

We have been drawn together on three occasions in the FA Cup, the first being in 1951 when the Wanderers won a third round tie 2-0 at Burnden. In 1958 the Wanderers again won

through 3-0 at Burnden in a replay this time in the 4th round whilst in 1971 York caused something of an upset, then as a 4th Division club they ousted Bolton, then in the 2nd Division by 2-0 at Bootham Crescent in a third round tie. Our record against York Reads.

	PL	W	D	L	F	A
Home	4	1	1	2	5	4
Away	4	3	1	0	6	2
Total	8	4	2	2	11	6

Down Memory Lane

15 years ago 8th November 1969. Bolton visited Blackburn with an unchanged side but went down 3-1 before the TV cameras. Don Martin and Malcolm Darling gave Rovers the lead before Terry Wharton reduced the arrears, but a goal from Ken Knighton put the game beyond Bolton's reach.

12th November 1969. Leicester City visited Burnden and found themselves a goal down after only 2 minutes. Warwick Rimmer was pulled down by Len Glover and Terry Wharton converted the spotkick. The joy was short lived as by half time City held a 3-1 lead thanks to a Rod Fern hat trick. Gordon Taylor pulled one back in the second half for the Wanderers but it wasn't enough to prevent them slipping further down the table.

10 years ago 9th November 1974 The Wanderers continued their upturn in form collecting a rare point at Millwall. Keeper Barry Siddall was the hero of the hour saving two penalties from Gordon Bolland, one in each half. Gordon Hill put the Londoners in front after 21 minutes in the aftermath of Siddalls first penalty save but Hugh Curran grabbed the equaliser in the 52nd minute heading home a Stuart Lee cross.

12th November 1974. Oldham Athletic visited Burnden to face an unchanged Wanderers side and took the lead after 14 minutes when George Jones rose to head a Colin Garwood corner past Barry Siddall. Hugh Curran earned Bolton a point with his sixth goal in as many games, heading home a Peter Thompson cross.

5 years ago. Dave Clement, Roy Greaves and Neil McNab returned to the side for the visit to Tottenham. Out went Peter Nicholson who became substitute, Len Cantello and Sam Allardyce who were both injured.

A crowd of 33,155 saw Tottenham win 2-0 to extend the Wanderers poor away record to seven consecutive defeats. A spectacular goal from Terry Yorath after 29 minutes broke the deadlock and a Glenn Hoddle penalty three minutes from time, awarded for pushing, were enough to end Bolton's weak resistance.

Manager Ian Greaves claimed that he had tried everything to halt the slide all to no avail and would leave the present side to battle on.

"Travel Sick"

The 3-2 defeat at Burnley last week not only left the Wanderers with the worst away record in the Football League, it also equalled a club record.

Eleven successive away defeats were also suffered in season 1979/80 when after a scoreless draw at Liverpool in August the Wanderers didn't avoid defeat on their travels until February 1980 with a 2-2 draw at Leeds.

Next Saturday Bolton go to Newport the scene of the last league victory away from home which took place last March.

Supporters Association News

Weekly meetings are to recommence in the Players Lounge every Monday evening from 7.30 p.m. when all supporters are welcome to attend.

New style Bolton badges are now available from the club shop and by post from R. Crawshaw 70 Horsa Street, Bolton. Please enclose an SAE for the badges which are priced £1 and £1.50 for non members.

Junior Whites News

Tonight's mascot is Dean Skelton of Eastgrove Avenue, Sharples, Bolton, Dean is 8 years old and attends High Lawn County Primary School and plays for the school team either on the wing or at right back. His favourite players are Jeff Chandler and Tony Caldwell.



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In Reserve

17th October 1984. Bolton Wanderers Reserves 4 Grimsby Town Reserves 3

Wanderers Reserves came out on top in a seven goal thriller against Grimsby after two successive away defeats.

Grimsby took the lead in the 11th minute after an attempted back pass by Paul Lodge was intercepted.

Roger Walker, who again gave an exciting display was brought down in the 37th minute and Ray Deakin made no mistake from the penalty spot.

Julian Darby put Bolton in front on the hour with a tremendous shot from 30 yards which was misjudged by former Lincoln and West Ham keeper Peter Grotier.

The Wanderers defence were again caught out as Grimsby equalised before Simon Rudge put Bolton in front in the 66th minute with a headed goal from a Paul Lodge corner.

The Mariners again equalised in the 83rd minute with the Wanderers defence caught flat footed as Rowbotham headed past John Platt.

It was left to Simon Rudge in the dying seconds of the game to break clear and round the keeper to register his fourth Central League goal of the season and win the points for Bolton. It was no more than they deserved as they had most of the play and created numerous chances which went begging.

A mention for 16 year old Mike Winstanley who was playing only his second Central League game and did well against Grimsby's star striker Kevin Drinkell.

There were Central League debuts for Gary Hardwick and George

Shepherd and bookings for Dean Roberts and Simon Rudge.

Team: Platt, Walker, Deakin, Shepherd, Booth, Winstanley, Darby, Hardwick, Rudge, Lodge, Roberts. Sub Whitlow for Hardwick (70 minutes).

Simon Saves Again

The same evening that the Reserves were defeating Grimsby at Burnden the first team went to Winsford United, leaders of the North West Counties League to face them as part of the deal that brought Mark Came to Burnden Park.

Winsford gave an impressive performance and things were level at 2-2 at the interval the Wanderers goals coming from Steve Thompson and George Oghani before Steve Saunders came on as substitute for Wayne Foster to put Bolton in front with his first touch.

The mid Cheshire men again equalised before 16 years old Paul Allen who has yet to play a Central League game for the Wanderers, shot home from 20 yards out.

Steve Saunders and George Oghani grabbed the other Bolton goals but it was Simon Farnworth's first half penalty save that stunned the Wanderers' supporters in the small crowd, to make it four saves in a row from the spot.

Team: Farnworth, Borrowes, Phillips, Joyce, Berry, Valentine, Thompson, Chandler, Oghani, Foster, Bell. Subs: Saunders for Foster, Allen for Joyce, Joyce for Bell, Came and Mailey.

There is life after Liverpool

By Colin Benson

"As long as we are a place above Liverpool in the League table we don't care where we finish." That true blue sentiment was expressed by a group of Everton supporters recently as they gloated over a more successful start to the season than that experienced by the red half of this soccer daft city.

One can understand the emotion behind this boast but one must question the logic. The old school of science has been lost in the shadow of the Anfield power game for 14 years and winning the FA Cup last May must have been like receiving a pardon from a life sentence. But football is about more than just Everton and Liverpool as manager Howard Kendall is only too aware.

Life is certainly not just blue and red. The Everton club motto is: "Nothing but the best is good enough." So having achieved success last season Mr Kendall knows that he is now expected to establish Everton as one of the major teams not only in domestic competition but in Europe as well.

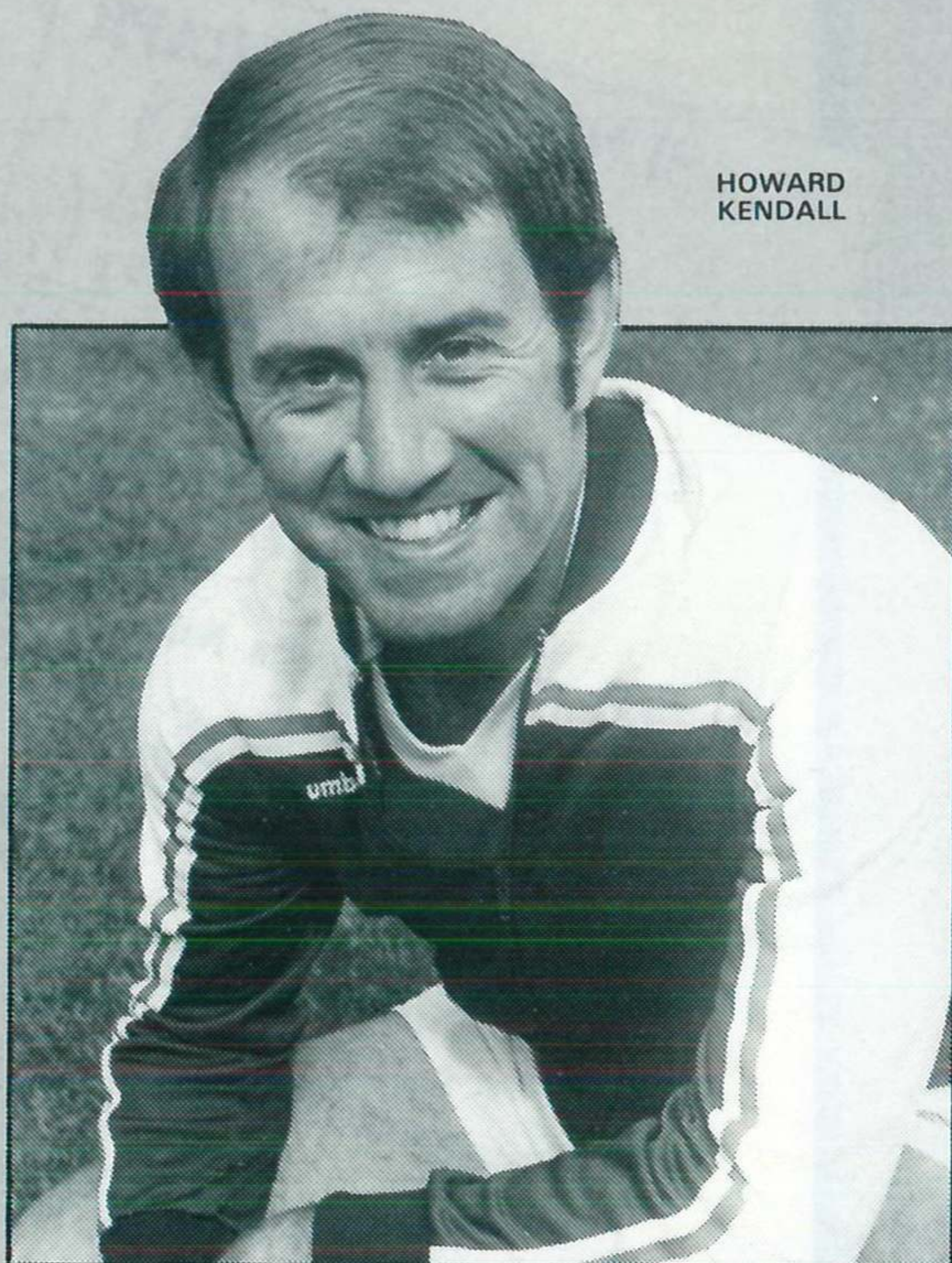
This term started well enough, back where it had finished three months earlier, on the green green grass of Wembley. Liverpool were soundly beaten in the colourful curtain raiser, the Charity Shield, and that provided a surge of confidence in the Goodison camp.

"We were very pleased to have beaten the best team in the League and beat them well," enthused the quietly spoken Everton boss. "The result was maybe not so important as the performance."

Once more on Merseyside Everton were the 'kings of football' the conquerors of Liverpool but Kendall refused to be carried away on the tides of emotion. He knows that success only comes at the end of competition not at the beginning and he realised that there would be worries on the way.

The first painful performance was experienced in the European Cup Winners' Cup against the University College team from Dublin. The Merseysiders £3 million side was almost held to ransom by the Irish part-timers and the Goodison

HOWARD
KENDALL



faithfuls booed their heroes off the park following a scrambled 1-0 aggregate victory.

Kendall accepts you can't take anything for granted in this game and recalls his own experience as a 17-year old starlet with Preston in 1964.

He played in the 1964 FA Cup Final team against West Ham United after being drafted into the side the week before, when there was some mystery about the absence of regular right-half Ian Davidson.

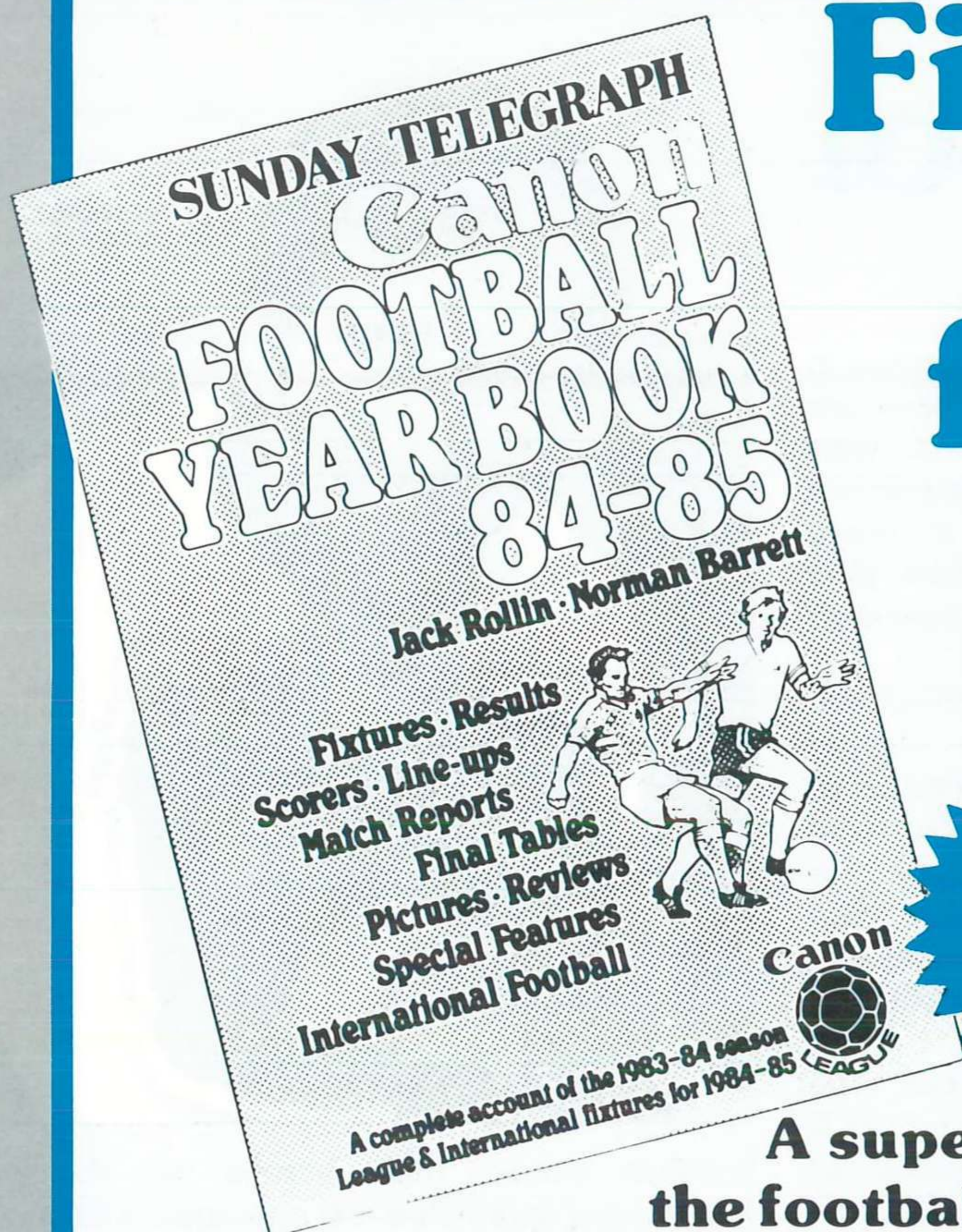
It was rumoured that Davidson had to attend a wedding in Scotland that Saturday but that was eventually denied.

Apparently Davidson's absence was a disciplinary measure and Mr Kendall still does not know what it was for.

Nonetheless it was a practical demonstration on how a player's fortunes can fluctuate quickly. Davidson's for the worse, Kendall's for the better.

The same can be true of the progress of a team. Everton have assembled a young side of quality that should get better but no matter how fine the play it will be on results that the day of reckoning will be judged.

Yes there is life after Liverpool and Everton must go out there and prove it!



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FOR 20 years now Pat Jennings has been wearing the international jersey of Northern Ireland, a monarch of the world game, a giant amongst goalkeepers.

The quiet man from Newry with the deep baritone chords and enormous shovel hands has loved every moment and as Northern Ireland tackle yet another World Cup campaign he is still firmly established as Billy Bingham's first choice 'keeper.

"I have no regrets that I did not qualify for a more powerful football nation," says Pat sincerely. "We are only a small nation but we have done really brilliantly with what we have got and that is something to be proud of.

"Being a minor footballing nation has its advantages anyway. Without a doubt the pressure is on England in our Group and any success we manage to get is a bonus.

"We went to the World Cup in Spain with no pressure on us at all and as we did not have to do well to make our point we were able to relax and because of that our achievements were fantastic.

"That was great experience for us all but I don't see the confidence we built up then carrying us through this competition. You just have to take each game as it comes particularly from our point of view as we have got so few players to pick from.

"If we have just one or two key players injured it can be the end of the story of us. That is how narrow the margin of success and failure is.

"A limited pool of players has always been our problem."

Pat, who is 39, is well capable of following in the footsteps of Italy's Dino Zoff and playing in another World Cup series, but given the strenuous climatic conditions of Mexico, the venue for the 1986 finals, there could be

doubts about stalwarts Chris Nicholl (38) and skipper Martin O'Neill (32).

"Martin is only a young fellow," laughs Pat. "Myself, I have been on the way out for the past five or six years but am still there and Chris Nicholl is on the fringe at the moment but our team has been like this right the way through. We have always had key players reaching the age where they have to drop out without having ready made replacements. Derek Dougan, George Best, who was in and out, it happens all the time.

Success at international level is just as important to Ireland's domestic game as it is here in England. Pat, who commutes home some ten or more times during the year says: "I am sure our success in Spain gave a lot of young players inspiration back home. They saw that our country despite being as small as it is can compete with the best and you could see the pride in the kids."

Northern Ireland's success this time of course depends on the failure of England to fulfil their position as favourites. The defeat in Finland, on paper the weakest nation in the group, spiked early hopes and as Pat affirms they can't afford another slip up when they visit Romania and Turkey, where they lost in the European Championships last season.

"The home games look after themselves it is the away games where you have to ensure that you don't get beaten," says Pat. "Away points are vital."

Pat has achieved everything in club football. Awarded the MBE for his service to the game he has also been presented with the Football Writers and PFA Footballer of the Year Awards . . . It would be nice for him to finish his top flight career with another appearance in the World Cup finals in Mexico in two years time.

Jennings

THE GIANT

By JOHN NOLAN

THAT'S

ENTERTAIN

By Colin

In the words of that immortal old show-biz classic, "That's entertainment," You can almost picture Arsenal boss Don Howe and Oxford United chief Jim Smith doing a little soft shoe shuffle routine together as if to say 'how about that then.'

Howe, for so long maligned as a coach whose priority was always defensive rather than offensive and Smith, given the order of the boot by Birmingham City, have something to boast about.

As the season reached its first quarter mark their teams were happily enjoying life at the top of their respective divisions and that in itself was quite an achievement.

Twelve months ago the Arsenal ship was all at sea, floundering in the league and beached from the Milk Cup by tiny Walsall. Oxford United on the other hand were a successful side, but in a division lower . . . to have maintained their consistency and quality in Division Two is quite remarkable. Yet Jim Smith makes no secret of the fact that he expects more from his team this season, and that means going all the way.

Both these clubs successes are down to their bosses who have much more in common than just hairless scalps. Howe's passion for the game is

It was perhaps ironical that Arsenal and Oxford should clash in the Third Round of this season's Milk Cup competition. A plumb draw for Oxford that ensured a full-house at their cramped Manor Ground.

Mr Smith would like to see similar crowds at their Second Division games but is not complaining. Oxford's gates have shown a healthy increase this season and that is good news.

That is also the picture at Highbury and manager Don Howe, in his first full season as Arsenal's manager, believes this is because the game itself is providing more excitement, more entertainment for the fans.

WINGERS

Says Howe delightedly: "Look at the results. There are far more 4-3's and 3-2's than there used to be, and if this keeps up we're in for a cracking season.

"Of course, as a manager I want the four and not the three, but I'm delighted that these scores are becoming quite a regular feature because it shows that clubs are fully aware of their responsibilities to entertain.

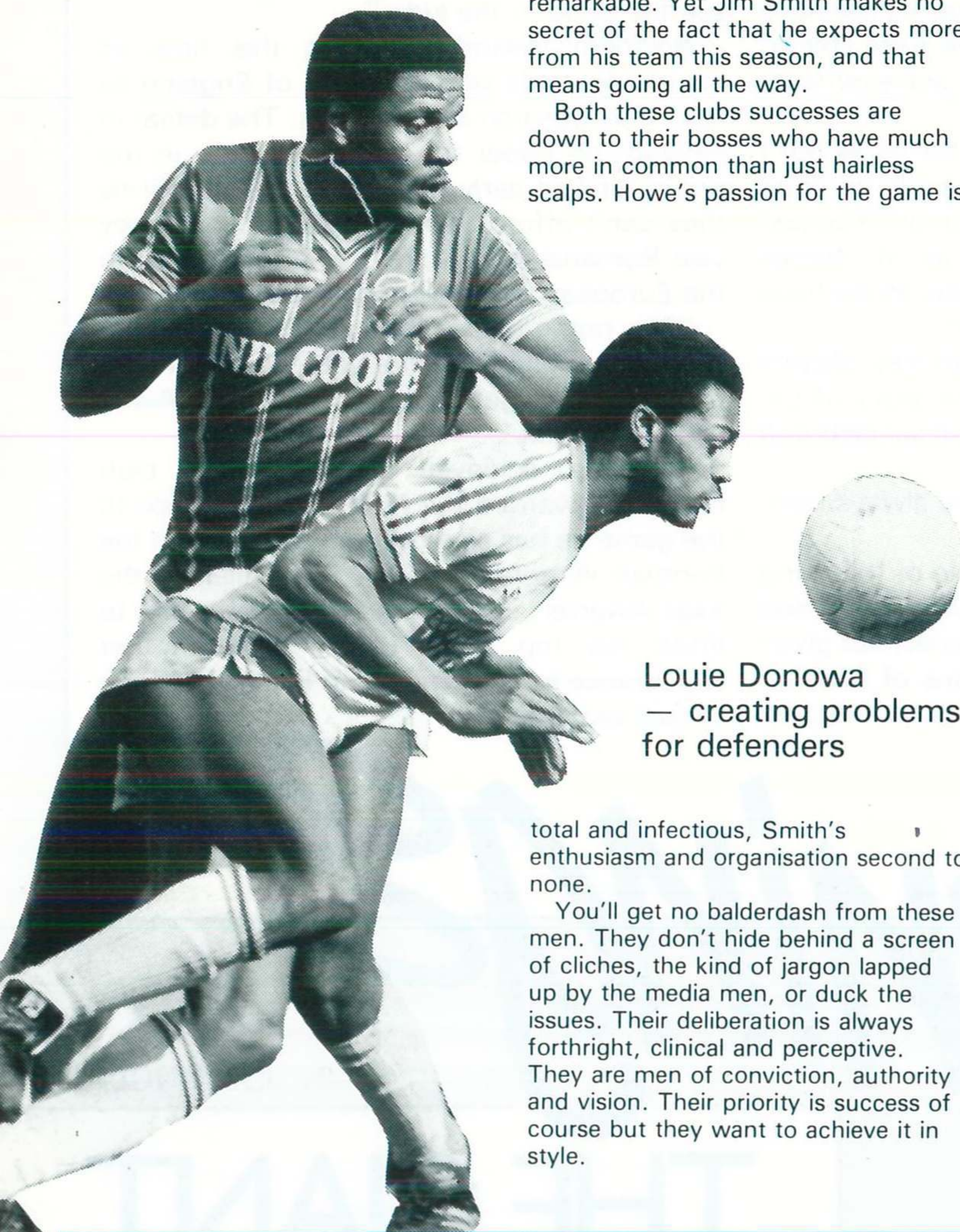
"The average fan has little cause for complaint about value for money, certainly at most of the matches I've seen or been involved in this season, as manager and as a spectator.

"What we are getting now is non-stop excitement. The game is not only about goals, because you can't expect to score every time, but clubs generally seem to be concentrating on getting the ball into their opponents' penalty area as quickly as they can."

Jim Smith, on course for a second successive promotion campaign, agrees with Howe. "Everybody's trying to play football again," he says. "Every team we've played this season, at home and away, has attacked us. And I enjoy it. That's the way we play.

"Another positive factor is that 90 per cent of teams are now playing with one if not two wingers and that's making a big difference."

Ken Brown at Norwich City has always believed in wingers. The



Louie Donowa
— creating problems
for defenders

total and infectious, Smith's enthusiasm and organisation second to none.

You'll get no balderdash from these men. They don't hide behind a screen of cliches, the kind of jargon lapped up by the media men, or duck the issues. Their deliberation is always forthright, clinical and perceptive. They are men of conviction, authority and vision. Their priority is success of course but they want to achieve it in style.

NMENT!

Canaries are one of the most entertaining sides in the First Division and one of the reasons is the form of teenage winger Dale Gordon, an England youth international, and Louie Donowa, who is just turned 20.

Dale, made his League debut against Liverpool on the opening day of the season and has remained in the side. Donowa made an explosive debut against Manchester United in October 1983, scoring the equaliser in an exciting 3-3 draw at Carrow Road. His form has fluctuated since but on his day he can be a match winner.

Norwich of course also have on their books England winger Mark Barham, who unfortunately has been out of the game for nearly a year following a serious knee injury. But when he returns the Canaries will have an abundance of riches in this position.

"Playing two out and out wingers throws more onus on your own midfield and back line but it is worth it for the problems they cause in the opposition box," says Canaries chief Ken Brown.

"I believe that you get more success from playing wide. There are more goals created by crosses than anything else. We have got two lads here who are tremendous crossers, all we have to do now is get on the end of them."

ONE BETTER

The two wide men philosophy is the one which also took Millwall to the top of the Third Division, in this George Graham's second season in charge. The former Arsenal and Manchester United players says, a shade ruefully: "We are the top scorers in Division Three and yet all season I have been saying that I'm not quite satisfied with the forwards.

"It's not too easy to get wide men, but at Millwall our policy is to go out and attack the opposition and there isn't a team in the League which has scored more goals away than we have."

Another manager basking in a galaxy of goals is Alan Mullery. His colourful Queens Park Rangers side

made it 40 goals in 15 games when they slammed six past the unfortunate Partizan Beograd goalkeeper Omerovic, at Highbury Stadium in October.

"I thought it was an absolutely brilliant performance," enthused Mullery who has adopted a policy of throwing everything into attack on the premise that it doesn't matter how many the other side score as long as you get one more.

"We have a system that we play and it works well," he smiles.

One journalistic colleague of mine flippantly remarked that the way to bring back the crowds was to have poor goalkeepers and so increase the scoring rate. But when you have teams like Rangers, Millwall and Oxford who are dedicated to getting men into striking positions who needs benefactors.

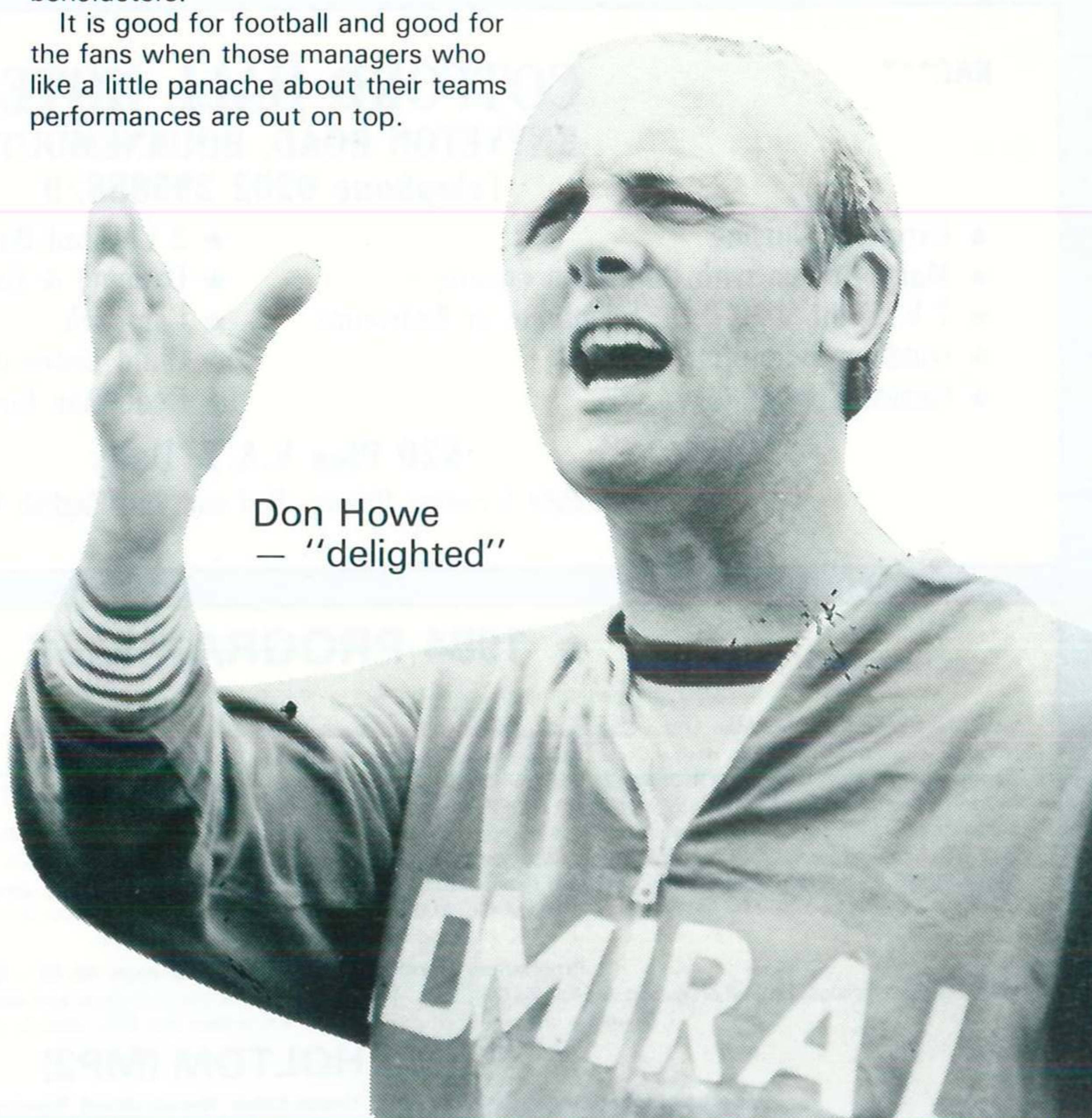
It is good for football and good for the fans when those managers who like a little panache about their teams performances are out on top.

And all the elegance of this great game of football is not restricted to the top two divisions. Ask John Duncan, who spent two seasons at Scunthorpe before taking charge of high flying Chesterfield. The former Derby County, Tottenham and Dundee forward insists that playing standards in the lower divisions are improving all the time.

John suggests: "It is because of staff cuts at the top. Better players are filtering down from the bigger clubs and that raises the skill level at the lower level. But the real eye-opener this season is that fewer and fewer clubs are playing for drawn matches.

"There have been lots of goals in the Fourth Division and we've had some really good games. There has been no trouble on the terraces home or away and so our slogan at Chesterfield is: Fourth Division for entertainment."

Yes there's no business like football business, no business at all. And when it is played in the spirit of Arsenal, Oxford, Norwich, Q.P.R., Millwall and Chesterfield, and many more besides, then the game really is entertainment of a high standing . . . I can't wait for Don and Jim's encore!



Don Howe
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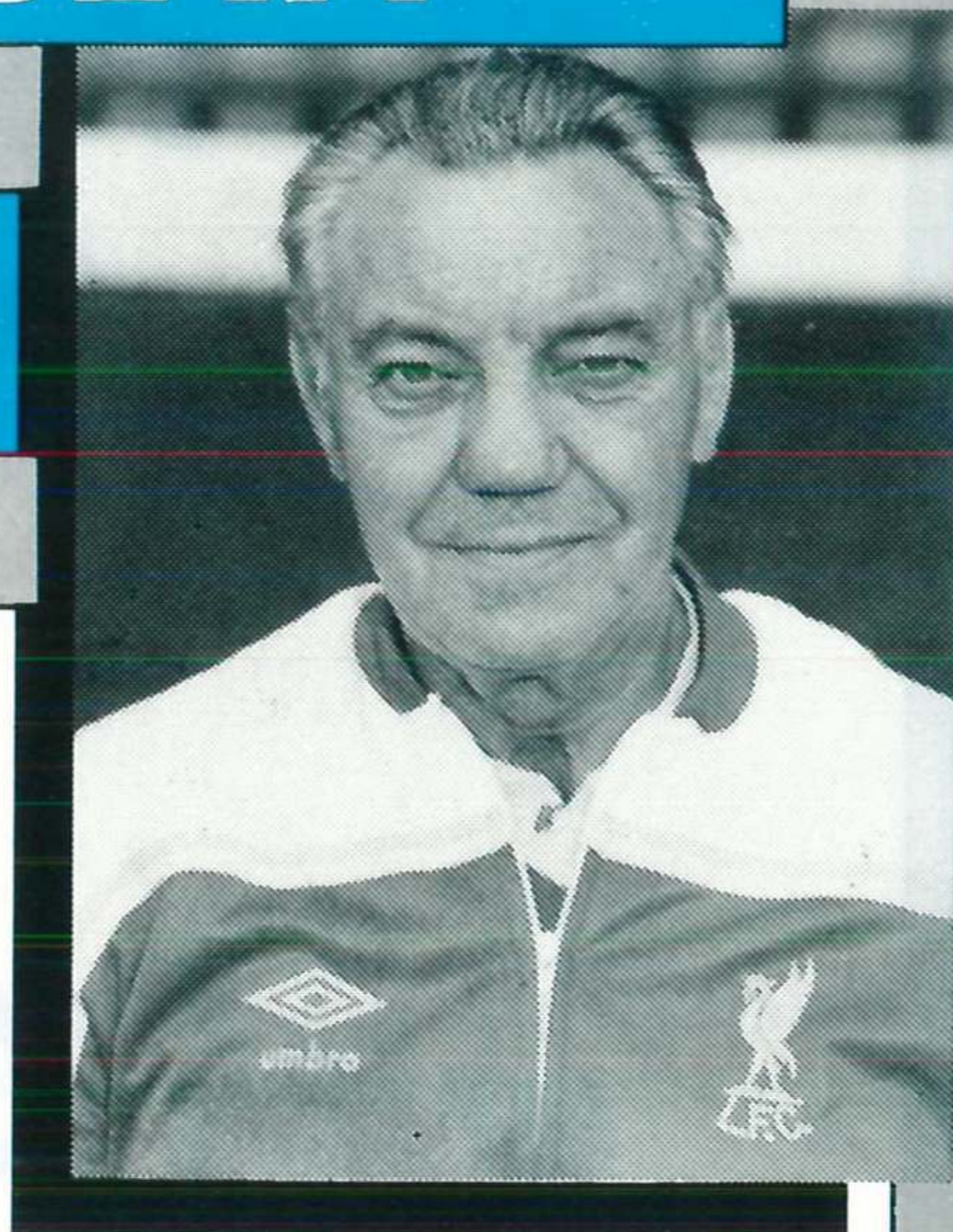


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A broad smile flashed across Joe Fagan's wrinkled contours when a journalist asked him, did he feel under pressure. "Liverpool are not under pressure at all we just step out and play," he said in that quiet matter of fact way of his. "Under pressure! I have never been under pressure in my life at Liverpool. It is you people, the media men, who say we are under pressure. We just go out and play and enjoy it."

That was way back in August, after Liverpool had surrendered the Charity Shield to Everton and drawn their first Canon League match at Norwich. But two months later, with the Champions struggling to find their form and lying third from bottom of the First Division table, smoking Joe was beginning to feel the strain.

He admitted that the form of his team was beginning to cause him sleepless nights:

"It has been disturbing my nights, I'll be honest," he said. "It woke me up at night but there was no way I was going to have a nervous breakdown over it. I am too hard for that."

There is nothing like the relegation zone for arousing old acid, no matter what the pedigree. Liverpool, under Joe Fagan, won three major trophies last season including the two most prized pieces of silverware, the League Championship trophy and the European Cup, but that all counts for nowt today.

Football is all about the present it is not a game that exists on yesterdays' triumphs. Dalglish, Hansen, Lee, Neal and Lawrenson are all judged on current form not that of last season and even the Kop has little patience.

"We have never worried about losing our jobs at Anfield," says Joe with a twinkle in his eye, but then the current management team have never needed to look over their shoulders before.

There is no compromise in this game no matter who you are. When John Hore, 38, the man who steered Third Division Plymouth Argyle to the FA Cup semi-finals last season, was axed in October, just a year after succeeding Bobby Moncur as manager, he became the 59th League manager to leave or be dismissed from his club in 18 months.

Such an atmosphere does not even provide security for the game's top men, so Joe Fagan knows that at the end of the day his job depends on results.

Joe's been under pressure all right but he can handle it even if it is a new experience. They say you can best judge the qualities of a manager when things are going badly. . . Joe Fagan's been given the opportunity to show just how good a manager he is this season.

ARGY-BARGY

When Argentinian amateur team UD Avallo visited Unidad Torre Vieja for a key match they suddenly found themselves without their top scorer. The Avallo star had been detained by the local police on a pretext and was held in custody until the game finished.

However the intentions of the police were so evident that the Argentine football authorities

ordered the game to be replayed — with a full team.

Two teams made up entirely of qualified referees met in a charity match in Argentina recently. . . The referee was a local player with a reputation for his foul play. He certainly took full opportunity to get his revenge on officialdom, finishing up by sending off no less than five of the referees, and threatening to give five others their marching orders also.

Star Profile

A look back at some of the Wanderers past players

A GRANDFATHER clock ticks away in the hall of Harold Blackmore's Exeter home. A small brass plate tells curious visitors that it was presented to him 55 years ago by Bolton Wanderers to commemorate their FA Cup Final victory over Portsmouth.

Harold scored one of the Bolton goals in that 2-0 victory — nothing out of the ordinary for the man who was one of the hottest shots in football.

Tonight's feature on **YESTERDAY'S HEROES** looks at the career of the famous centre-forward Wanderers couldn't wait to get their hands on after he had shown his shooting powers against them with a memorable goal against the famous Dick Pym.

In 1927 Wanderers played at Exeter in a friendly match with the two locals, Dick Pym in goal for the Wanderers and HAROLD BLACKMORE at centre forward for the home team.

In the second half of the game Blackmore was given the ball just inside the Bolton half, went forward a few strides and then released a terrific shot with his right foot which never rose more than a foot high and beat Pym in the Bolton goal quite easily.

This impressed the watching Bolton directors and manager Mr Charles Foweraker so much that Blackmore was immediately signed up after the game. The fee was in the region of £2,500.

He made his debut in Bolton colours against Sheffield Wednesday a short time later and had the satisfaction of scoring in that game.

More than 50 years later, with Blackmore back in Exeter but still keeping close tabs on the fortunes of the Wanderers, he is still remembered among the older fans for his powerful shooting.

That had been the main feature of his game since starting his footballing life in junior teams around his birthplace at Silverton a few miles from Exeter. He joined the Exeter club as an amateur and in 1924 became a professional on wages of £5 a week.

But although Harold's shot was a terrific feature he had other assets. Strong and fast he was also very good at distributing the ball to the wings.

In his first full season with the Wanderers he played in 12 League matches. But it was the following year, the 1928-29 season which provided the highlights of his career, which saw him play 153 League games for Bolton scoring 111 goals. He had an incredible scoring rate in the FA Cup with 11 from 12 matches.

His most memorable game, however was the FA Cup semi-final against Huddersfield at Anfield in 1929.

At half time Wanderers were a goal down, scored by Alec Jackson their famous winger. Just after the interval Blackmore scored the equaliser that many regard as the finest goal he ever scored.

Huddersfield — the team of the decade — never recovered and Wanderers went on to win 3-1, reaching the final for the third time in six years, and going on to clinch their third Cup win.

"My greatest wish to go to Wembley was fulfilled," Harold later recalled.

"Although that match stands out, I enjoyed every match I played with the Wanderers as the club, trainer and the crowd were the best in England."

There was no concealing his joy last year when he met up again with Dick Pym to reminisce about the old days and see the current Bolton side in action at Exeter.

And wasn't there a touch of favouritism in his verdict on the game when he criticised the referee for the decisions leading to the two Exeter goals that forced a 2-2 draw totally against the run of play?

Blackmore left Wanderers in March 1932 and went to Middlesbrough. He wasn't long at Ayresome Park before joining Bradford Park Avenue where he played 42 games and scored 27 goals in his first season.

After a short spell with Bury he returned to Exeter and with his brother-in-law opened a butcher's shop.

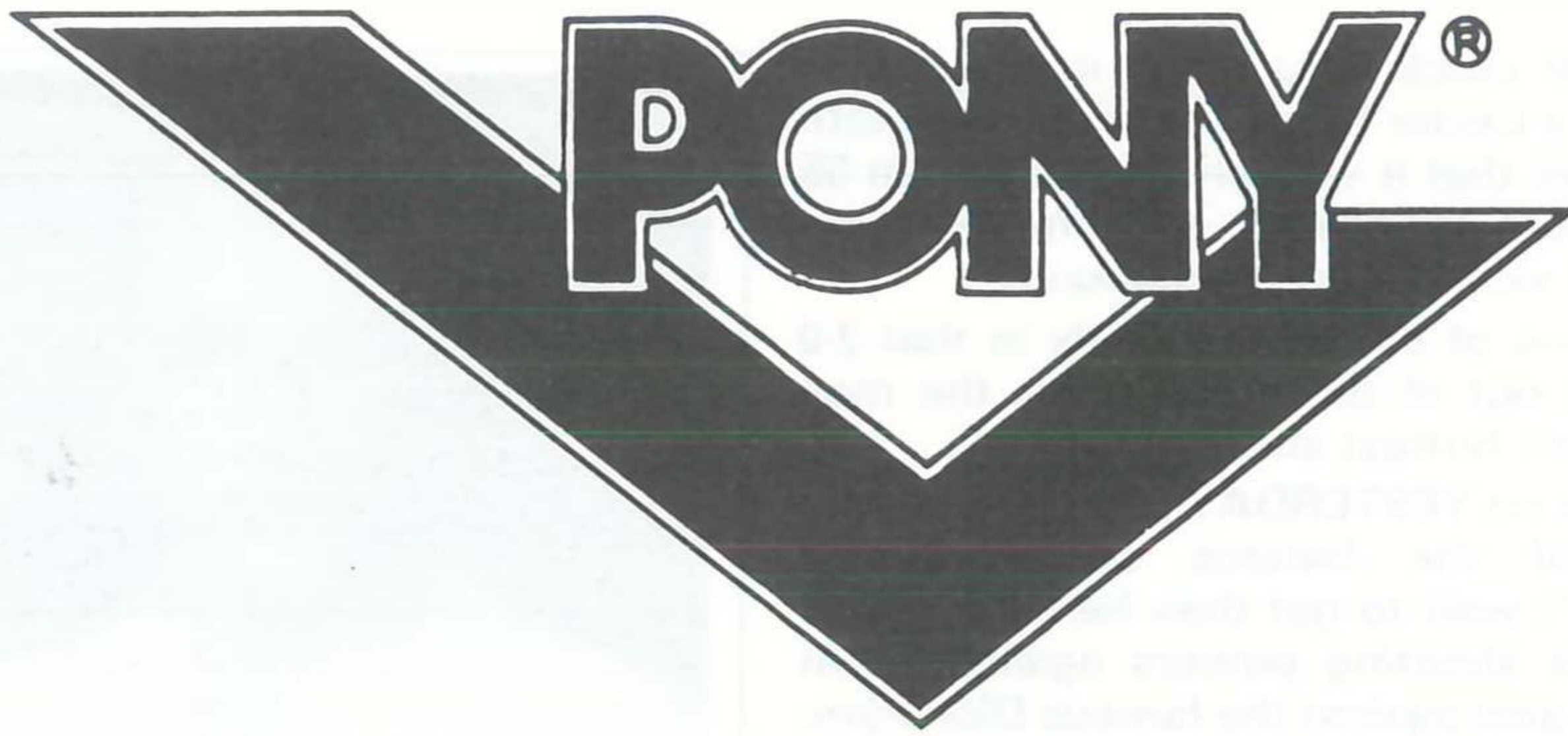
This shop was blitzed by the German bombers in 1942 but within a week Blackmore was back in business.

Retired now, Blackmore still looks back with fondness on his Bolton days just as the Bolton supporters who saw him look back on the glory days and the man with one of the hottest shots in the business.



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1984 Aug. 25	Bristol Rovers	0-1	4,469
28	Oldham Athletic (MC1 1L)	2-1	3,286
Sept. 1	Derby County	2-3	11,478
4	Oldham Athletic (MC1 2L)	4-4	4,010
8	Hull City	0-0	5,403
15	Rotherham United	1-3	3,926
18	Swansea City	1-2	3,636
22	Plymouth Argyle	7-2	3,876
25	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 1L)	2-2	3,720
29	Doncaster Rovers	0-2	4,850
Oct. 2	Walsall	3-1	4,445
6	Reading	1-3	3,253
9	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 2L)	2-1	5,445
13	A.F.C. Bournemouth	2-1	4,651
20	Preston North End	4-0	5,691
23	Bristol City	2-3	7,715
27	Burnley	2-3	6,460
30	Notts County (MC3)	1-6	4,547
Nov. 3	Lincoln City	1-0	4,019
6	York City		
10	Newport County		
17	Hull City (FAC1)		
24	Gillingham		
Dec. 1	Brentford		
8	FA Cup 2		
15	Millwall		
22	Cambridge United		
26	Wigan Athletic		
29	Bradford City		
1985 Jan. 1	Orient		
5	Bristol Rovers (FA 3)		
12	Derby County		
19	Hull City		
26	Rotherham United (FA 4)		
Feb. 2	Doncaster Rovers		
9	Plymouth Argyle		
12	Walsall		
16	Swansea City (FA 5)		
23	Lincoln City		
Mar. 2	Burnley		
5	Bristol City		
9	Preston N.E. (FA 6)		
16	A.F.C. Bournemouth		
23	Reading		
24	Milk Cup Final		
29	York City		
Apr. 6	Wigan Athletic		
9	Orient		
13	Newport County (FA SF)		
20	Gillingham		
27	Brentford		
May 4	Millwall		
6	Bradford City		
11	Cambridge United		
18	FA Cup Final		

Home matches and goalscorers in **bold type**. + Player substituted. ● Substitute used. ★ Own goal.

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	HOME			GOALS			AWAY			GOALS			
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Millwall	13	6	1	0	14	3	2	2	2	11	9	27	
Bristol Rovers	14	5	2	0	11	3	2	2	3	8	9	25	
Rotherham United	14	4	3	0	13	7	3	1	3	5	5	25	
York City	14	4	2	1	15	7	3	1	3	10	11	24	
Bradford City	13	4	2	0	8	2	3	1	3	9	8	24	
Doncaster Rovers	13	5	0	2	14	9	2	2	2	11	9	23	
Bristol City	14	4	2	1	13	8	2	3	2	8	9	23	
Brentford	13	4	1	2	13	6	2	2	2	6	8	21	
Hull City	14	4	2	1	13	5	1	4	2	4	7	21	
Walsall	14	2	4	1	11	7	3	2	2	9	9	21	
Gillingham	14	3	3	1	17	11	3	0	4	9	18	21	
AFC Bournemouth	14	4	1	2	13	6	1	3	3	4	7	19	
Wigan Athletic	14	4	1	2	9	6	1	3	3	5	11	19	
Derby County	13	5	1	0	14	6	0	2	5	3	9	18	
Burnley	14	3	3	1	11	7	1	3	3	11	16	18	
Reading	14	3	1	3	10	9	2	1	4	7	14	17	
Bolton Wanderers	14	5	1	1	17	5	0	0	7	9	19	16	
Newport County	13	3	2	1	9	5	0	3	4	3	9	14	
Plymouth Argyle	14	3	2	2	12	10	0	3	4	12	23	14	
Swansea City	14	2	1	4	10	12	2	1	4	7	14	14	
Lincoln City	13	2	3	1	12	5	1	1	5	4	10	13	
Orient	14	2	1	4	9	14	2	0	5	7	13	13	
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Sept.	Leeds United	1-1
	Doncaster Rovers	2-3
	Oldham Athletic	0-2
	Hull City	2-1
Oct.	Middlesbrough	1-3
	Port Vale	0-2
	Grimsby Town	4-3
	Leicester City	0-2
	Preston North End	2-2
Nov.	Blackpool	
	Wigan Athletic	
	Scunthorpe United	
	Burnley	
Dec	York City	
	Wolverhampton Wanderers	
	Sunderland	
1985		
Jan.	Rotherham United	
	Leeds United	
	Doncaster Rovers	
	Oldham Athletic	
Feb.	Middlesbrough	
	Hull City	
	Wigan Athletic	
	Blackpool	
Mar.	Preston North End	
	Leicester City	
	Grimsby Town	
	Port Vale	
Apr.	Scunthorpe United	
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	York City	
	Sunderland	
May	Wolverhampton Wanderers	

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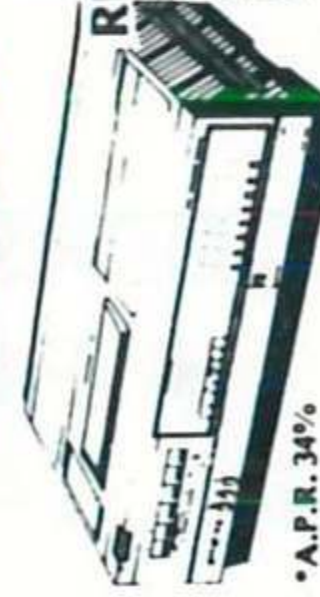


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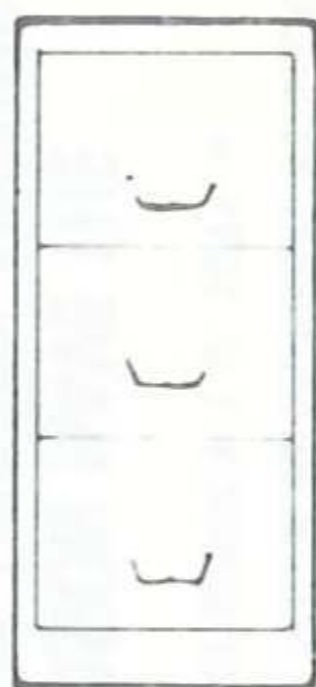


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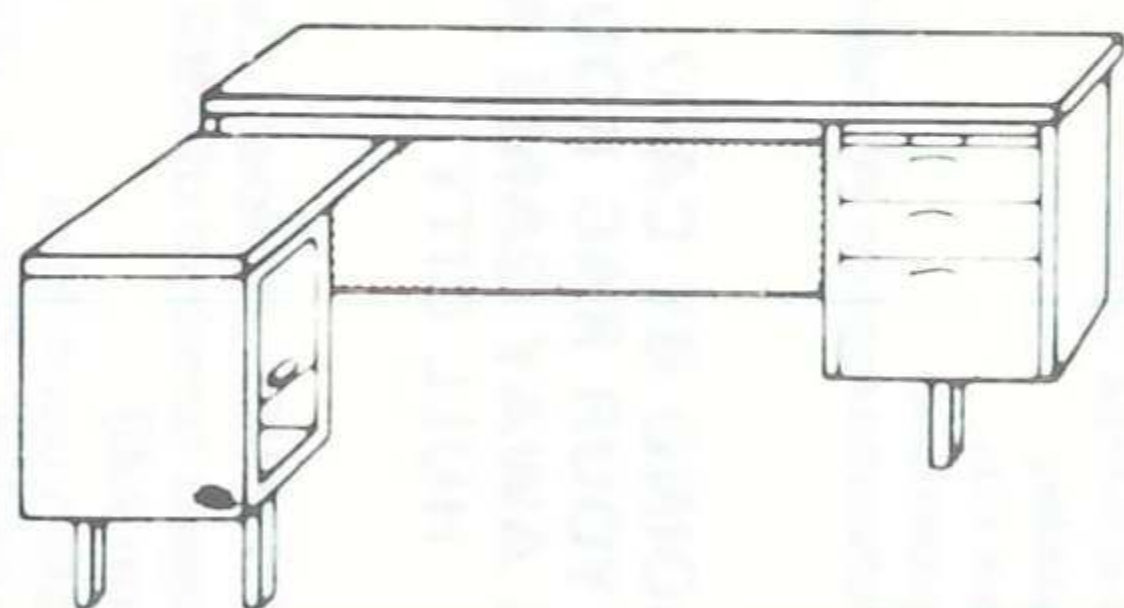
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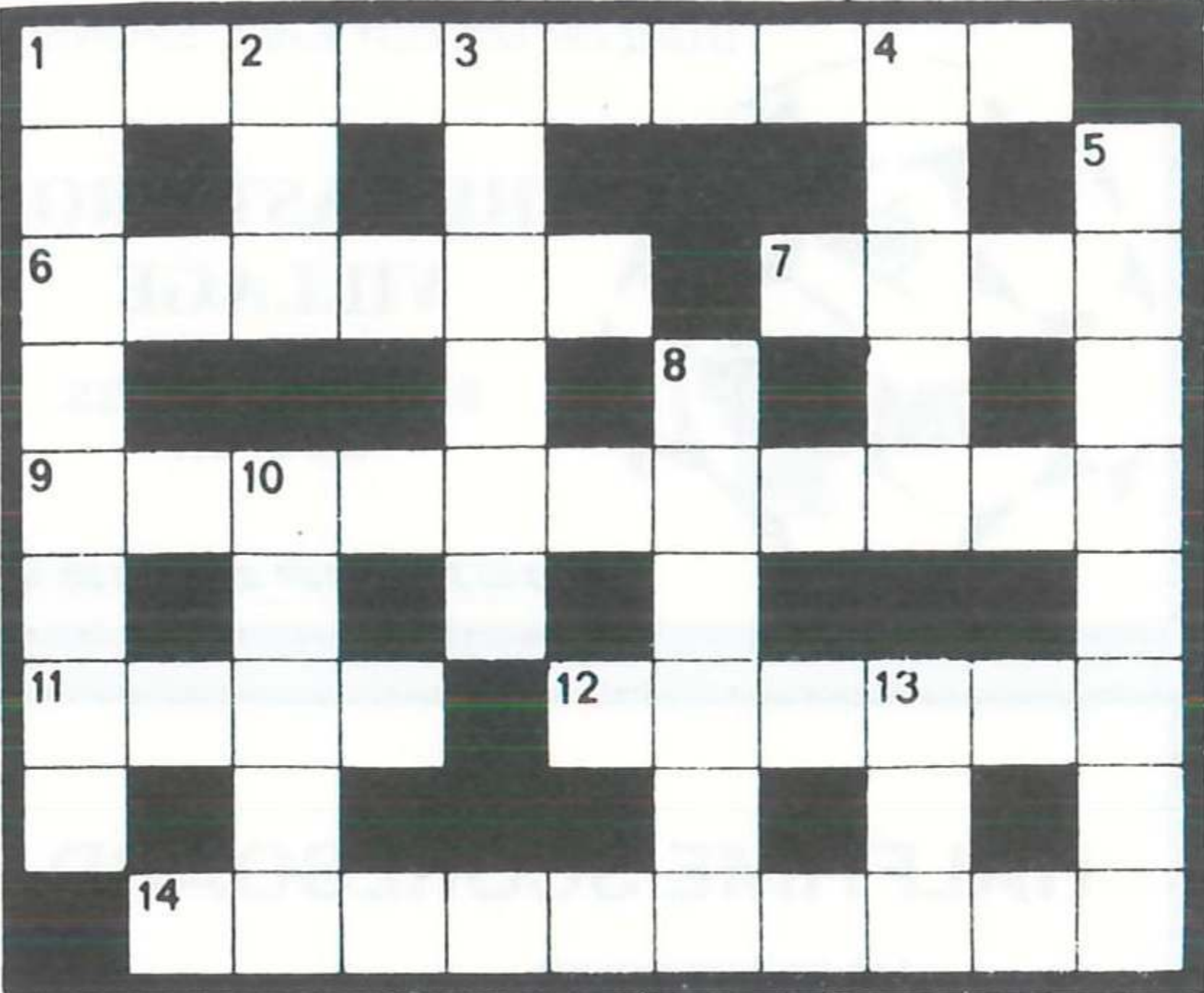
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CROSSWORD No. 10

ACROSS

- 1. Big Eire-capped keeper seen mainly with Oxford, Walsall (two spells) and Wolves (4,6)
- 6. A team's strike-force (6)
- 7. A nickname of the Ayresome Park people (4)
- 9. They could well cause even the alertest keeper to be beaten (11)
- 11. Snookes, say (4)
- 12. Hong Kong club sometime served by Tommy Hutchison, Derek Parlane, Barry Powell and other 'exiles' (6)
- 14. Big defender, experienced with Rotherham, who helped neighbours Sheffield United to promotion in 1984 (10)



DOWN

- 1. Midfielder with 7 across for nine seasons before (in 1982) changing to Chelsea, whose . . . (8)
- 2. . . . famous former keeper Peter Bonetti was nicknamed "The" (3)
- 3 & 13dn. Started or restarted (6,3)
- 4. Thomas — — —, Cameroon's impressive keeper who, after the last World Cup finals, went on to success in the Spanish League (5)
- 5. Half-back (with the belting boxing name!) who was hired by Huddersfield, Halifax and Hartlepool (5)
- 8. His name is an anagram of 'result' and that's clearly what he got as chairman of Swansea during John Toshack's inspiring spell there (6)
- 10. Stony-sounding old Spurs, Aldershot and Orient winger (5)
- 13. See 3 down.

Answers to No. 9: **ACROSS:** 1. Ray Pointer, 7. Hiron, 8. Court, 9. clear, 12. Larry, 13. drawn, 14. Staniforth. **DOWN:** 2. Ayre, 3 & 10dn. penalty-area, 4. tour, 5. Rathbone, 6. whistles, 8. Claudio, 10. See 3 down, 11. Want.

QUICK QUIZ No. 10

- 1. Which British club netted its 200th 'European' goal in 1983/84?
- 2. Which major European cup didn't end in England in 1984 and who actually won it?
- 3. How many clubs have lost their Football League status since World War 2?
- 4. What nickname was conferred on Andoni Goicoechea after his fearsome tackles on Schuster and Maradona?
- 5. What vanished on 19 December 1983?

Answers to No. 9
1. York (Liverpool, Chelsea, Oxford), 2. Newcastle v. Notts County, 3. Southampton (1963/64), 4. Manolo, 5. Charlton Athletic and Celtic.

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

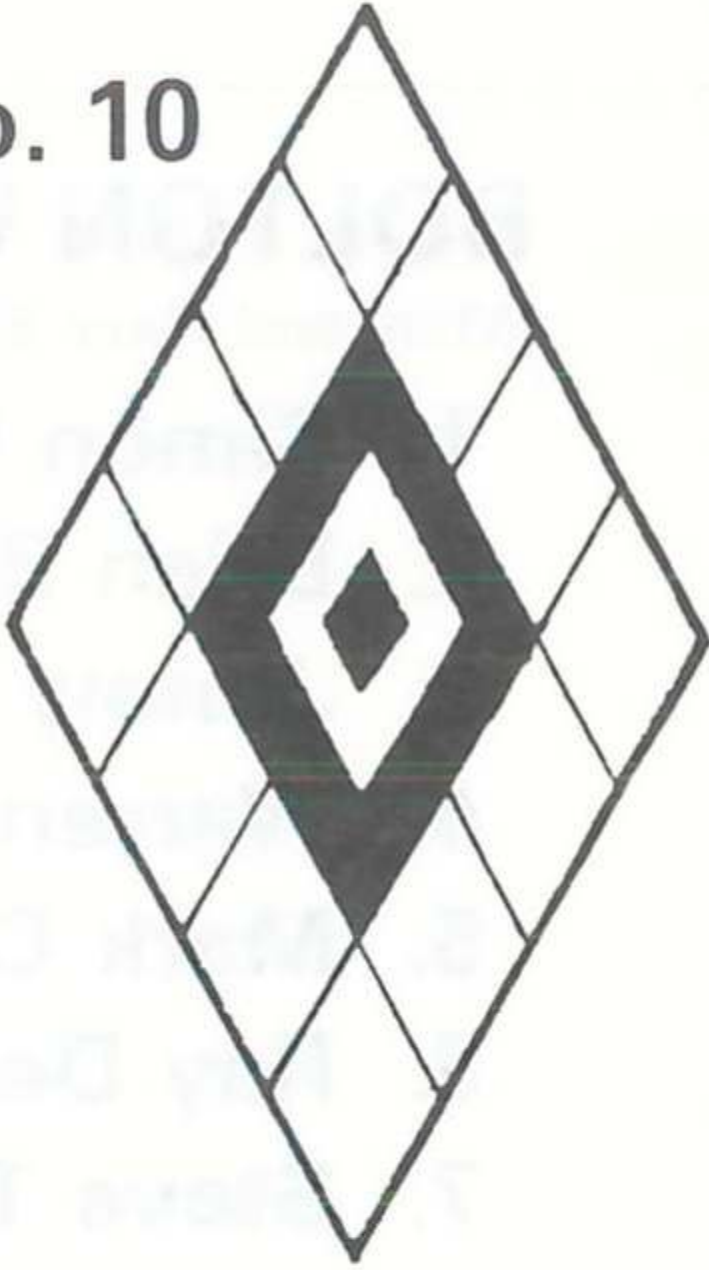
MIXED DOUBLES No. 10

Re-order the letters in each of the words **STALE** and **STALER** to reveal two "OLD ENGLAND MEN"

Answers to No. 9: PRESTON, READING.

FITNESS TEST No. 10

Re-arrange all the letters of **AYRESOME PARK** to create four four-letter words that fit the edges of the diamond.

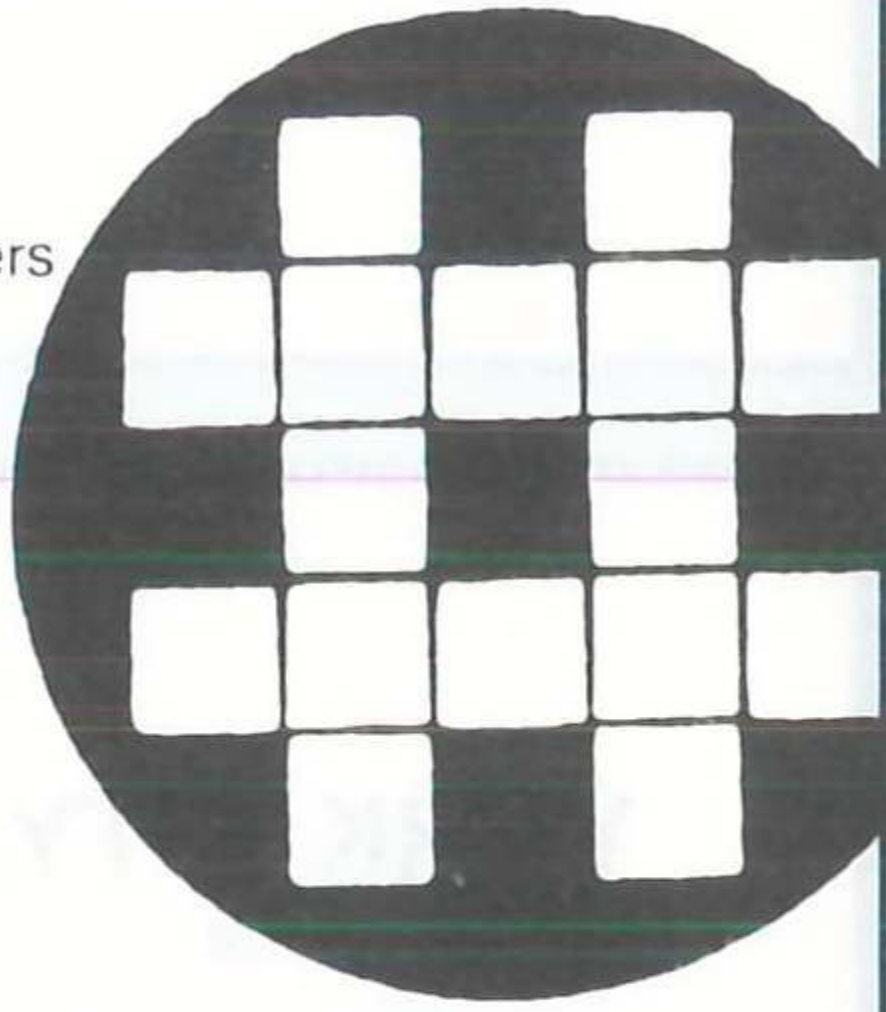


Answers to No. 9
PURR/RACK, POTS/SULK

ON THE BALL No. 10

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

- Scott with Irish caps
- Southend boss after Rowley
- Match participants
- One of the Thompson brothers



Answers to No. 9: FOULS, FLAGS, JUDGE, FOCUS.

Puzzle Page

Teams

BOLTON WANDERERS

White and Navy Blue

1. Simon Farnworth
2. Brian Borrows
3. Jimmy Phillips
4. Warren Joyce
5. Mark Came
6. Ray Deakin
7. Steve Thompson
8. Jeff Chandler
9. George Oghani
10. Wayne Foster
11. Graham Bell
- 12.

YORK CITY

Red and White

1. Roger Jones
2. Chris Evans
3. Alan Hay
4. Ricky Sbragia
5. John MacPhail
6. Derek Hood
7. Gary Ford
8. Sean Haslegrave
9. Keith Walwyn
10. Keith Houchen
11. Alan Pearce
- 12.

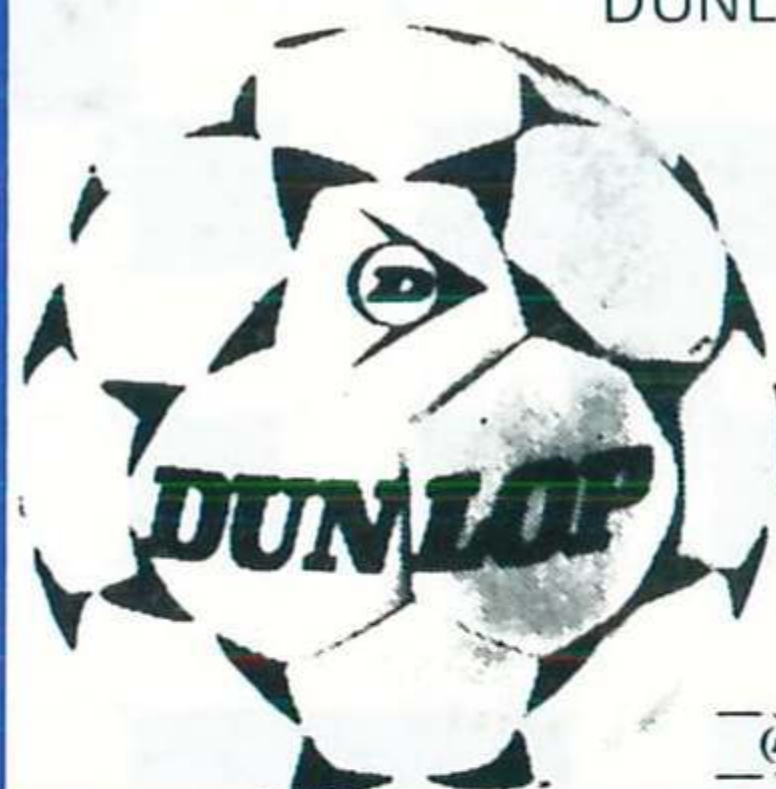
Tonight's Referee: HOWARD TAYLOR

(Oadby, Leics.)

Finance Director, N.A.Y.C. Married with two daughters. Commenced refereeing in 1956 and progressed via Football Combination. Interested in golf and enjoys listening to music. Vice Chairman Leicestershire Referees' Society and an F.A. Referee Training Instructor. Officiated at European Cup match and F.A. Vase semi-final.

Linesmen: J. S. COWLEY (St. Helens) Red Flag
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I	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
J	BRADFORD CITY
K	PRESTON NORTH END
L	SWANSEA CITY
M	CRYSTAL PALACE
N	SHREWSBURY TOWN
O	CREWE ALEXANDRA
P	NORTHAMPTON TOWN
Q	ROCHDALE
R	BURY
S	SWINDON TOWN
T	SCUNTHORPE UNITED
U	TORQUAY UNITED
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W	TRANMERE ROVERS
X	COLCHESTER UNITED
	WREXHAM
	CHESTERFIELD
	ALDERSHOT
	NORWICH CITY
	CHELSEA
	WALSALL
	GRIMSBY TOWN
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	NOTTINGHAM FOREST
	WEST HAM UNITED
	MANCHESTER CITY
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